

HON. J. W. FORDNEY ADDRESSED MEN HERE SATURDAY

CONFIDENT THAT REPUBLICAN TICKET WILL BE VICTORIOUS

Congressman Joseph W. Fordney of the eighth district spoke to a good crowd at Hotel Belding Saturday afternoon at one o'clock. Mr. Fordney was in his usual good humor and presented the campaign issues, as he viewed them, in a sane and logical manner. He touched especially on the Adamson so-called eight-hour law, showing it up as a campaign issue. He said that the railroad men did not go to congress and ask for a wage increase, neither did they go to Wilson. But rather Wilson saw in the issue a chance to turn the thing into a campaign issue and possibly to secure votes by doing it. Wilson therefore asked the men and the road managers to come to him and let him settle the strike.

Mr. Fordney asserted that it was not an eight-hour work day the men were wanting but more pay. He pointed out the fact that many of the men are now making a day's run in from five to six hours and drawing a full day's pay. If the eight-hour law is sustained by the courts," he said, "I imagine the railroads officials will see that their men work a full eight hours. The railroad men may not like the eight-hour law since they have got it. But it is not really an eight-hour law. It is a law giving certain few trainmen a twenty-five per cent increase in pay. They get ten hours' pay for eight hours work. Then they get time and one-half for overtime. The working schedule is out from twelve and one-half miles an hour to ten miles an hour. Hence it will require the men more hours to make their runs and hence their pay will be much larger.

"I would not object to the eight hour law if it was made for all workmen. But it is class legislation in favor of only twenty per cent of the men employed by one particular industry. It is class legislation in favor of the highest paid workmen in the world. How about the freight handlers, the section hands, the yard men and others? How about the men employed in all other lines of business? Where do they come in?"

"The thing we most need in this country is protection to American labor. The industries of the United States must be protected so they can pay a living wage to the workmen employed. What good is cheap merchandise unless a man has a job from which he gets enough money to pay for the merchandise he wishes to buy? Suppose you let the bars down and permit foreign countries to flood the markets of the United States with cheap goods. How is the laboring man going to buy these goods if his employee is unable to pay him a legitimate wage?"

"You have heard the story about the old man who was placed with his head to the west in his grave. The story reminds me of Wilson. You know some people came past that grave and asserted that the man would be compelled to get up in his grave and turn around when Gabriel came from the east. Yes, but he is Woodrow Wilson," said one of the party, "he can shift his position at any time." Now do you think a man who statistics show has taken over 480 different positions on 240 distinct issues in the past three and one-half years, is a safe man to continue in the White House. I say no, and every sane thinking man says no. Don't you know we can give the Democrats the solid South which they claim, and seven of the northern states that are thought to be doubtful, and still whip them on November 7? There has never been a republican president elected without the solid support of New York and every time New York goes for a republican president he is elected. And New York is going solid and strong for Hughes on November 7, and sure he will be elected."

Following the address here Fordney and rest of the republican candidates were driven to Saranac for a meeting and finally to Portland for a big windup meeting.

Had Hallowe'en Party
A very successful Hallowe'en party was held Tuesday night at the home of Walter Knight. The guests found a hand at the front door attached to a string which led to the rear basement window where they were admitted and greeted by a black man who pointed them to the halls above where Will Sookums presided. She took things in charge and kept the comings and goings of the party with all kinds of Hallowe'en stunts, after which refreshments consisting of doughnuts, popcorn, apples and cider were served.

About forty were present and some in unique costumes which caused a good deal of merriment. The house was very prettily decorated for the occasion and all went away declaring the party the best of their lives.

E. F. U. Members
All E. F. U. members are urged to be present at the next regular meeting next Friday evening, November 3, in Forester hall. State Manager Ellis will be present and will discuss the proposed fraternal amendment.

F. & A. M. Communication
Regular communication of Belding Lodge No. 855 F. & A. M., next Monday evening, November 6.

J. B. Cook, W. M.

Auction Sale
Frank Loomis will have an auction sale next week Thursday. It will be an afternoon sale, beginning at one o'clock. Mr. Loomis has a good list of stock and machinery and it will pay everyone interested to read his auction advertisement in the Banner this week. Then be sure to attend the sale.

ALL HALLOWE'EN AT THE BRASS WORKS

Employees of the brass company with their wives and sweethearts celebrated Hallowe'en Tuesday night in the upper story of the plant. There were about a hundred present and the event was a pleasant one. The room had been prepared for the occasion and an impromptu program was carried out in keeping with the "Hallowe'en-Hallowe'en-stunts." Lee Nason told several weird ghost stories which made everyone's hair stand on end, and Mr. Upholt also told stories. The Ladies' Thrift club had a hand in promoting the event, and Mrs. Upholt gave some fine suggestions in her talk. Refreshments of cider, doughnuts and popcorn were served, and James Farrar with his violin and Ed. Ranous at the organ, furnished music for dancing.

MISS WINIFRED BUSH MARRIED AT HOWELL CHURCH WEDDING

On Saturday, October 28 at high noon occurred the marriage of Winifred Irene Bush of Howell and Dr. Ernest Allen Ross of Flint. The ceremony was performed at St. John's Episcopal church at Howell in the presence of about seventy-five relatives and friends. Rev. Henry J. Simpson of Detroit officiating. The bride was attended by Miss Nelmarie Durfee of Ann Arbor, and the groom was assisted by Reginald G. Kimball of Portland, Maine. Master Joseph Gwarkin of Grand Rapids acted as ring bearer, carrying the ring in the heart of a yellow rose. Messrs. Frank D. Bush, brother of the bride, and Henry L. Gwarkin of Grand Rapids served as ushers. The church was decorated with palms, ferns and chrysanthemums, making a beautiful background for the ceremony. Miss Esther Richards rendered two fine solos during the progress of the ceremony. The bride was lovely in a Burgundy velvet suit, trimmed with moleskin. Her corsage bouquet was of cream roses and lilies-of-the-valley. The bridesmaid wore black velvet, and carried an armful of yellow chrysanthemums. Following the ceremony a three-course luncheon was served to the immediate relatives at the home of the bride's parents.

Dr. and Mrs. Ross left for a short wedding trip before going to their new home at Flint. Mrs. Ross is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick A. Bush, formerly of Belding, at which city she spent her greater part of her life. She graduated with the class of 1912. The young people were the recipients of many valuable and useful gifts. The bride has a large circle of friends in this city who will extend to her congratulations and best wishes.

MRS. ANGUS DIED IN HOOD RIVER

Edward Belding received word last week of the death of his sister, Mrs. Grace Angus, of Hood River, Oregon, who passed away at her home Tuesday, October 24, aged forty-four years.

Mrs. Angus had been sick for some time and leaves, besides her husband, four children, two boys and two girls. She was formerly Grace Belding, and left here about twenty-two years ago. Older residents of this community will remember her and her sister, Pearl Belding, as having lived in this city before they went west.

CITIZEN'S DAY AT CON- GREGATIONAL CHURCH

Sunday is Citizens' Day and appropriate exercises will be held in the Congregational church in the morning. The sermon by the pastor, Rev. A. J. Blair, will be upon lines with the thought of good citizenship, and a special message will be given to men, to whom, and especially to the brotherhood, invitation is extended, and all will receive a cordial welcome.

There will be no preaching service in the evening. A union mass meeting in the interest of state-wide prohibition will be held in the opera house.

Challenged to Debate
If Mark McKee, representative of the Fraternal Voters League of State Deputy Ellis of the E. F. U. show up at the meeting of the Belding Fraternal Amendment League Friday night there will be a joint debate and discussion on the proposed amendment to the constitution. Charles D. Sharow of Grand Rapids has challenged them upon the proposition and if they accept he will be here.

Bought Spicer Property
Claude Spicer of Flint was in the city a few days last week, and made a sale of his property on Bridge street to C. B. Johnson of Otisco.

After the house undergoes some repairs it will be occupied by Richard Cowles, who will move from the farm, where he has lived so long and become a resident of the city. Mr. Johnson and Mr. Cowles are to be congratulated upon securing this fine residence property, and their many friends here will be pleased to welcome Mr. Cowles and Mrs. Cowles as citizens.

Taken to Traverse City
Manley Lansing was taken to Traverse City Tuesday morning by Supervisor W. B. Travis and Sheriff Mark Hoppough. In mind and body he was growing weaker from the county since returning exhibited dangerous and frequently toward his wife. It was tendencies by his friends and the county officials that his removal to the state hospital was necessary. Mrs. Lansing, whose health is not good, was unable to care for him.

PERE MARQUETTE SPECIAL PASSED THROUGH BELDING

OFFICERS OF SYSTEM STOPPED AT BELDING ON THEIR INSPECTION TRIP

The "Efficiency Special" of the Pere Marquette railroad passed through here Thursday on the run over the 2,050 miles of the system, making to determine the winners in the annual maintenance competition. The run that day was over the division between Port Huron and Grand Rapids, and was the second of the swing around the system which has taken nine days.

The keen but friendly rivalry which exists resulting in careful attention to all details of maintenance was seen. Despite a heavy tonnage of the year, and the difficulty of securing labor and materials the run has developed the fact that all concerned have made every effort to bring their respective sectors up to a good standard. Officers of the road complimented Division Superintendent J. L. Hayes and his officers and men on the showing this division has made.

In the party stopping at Belding were: Receiver Dudley E. Waters, General Manager F. H. Alfred, Superintendent of Transportation H. O. Halsted, Chief Engineer A. L. Grandy, Assistant Engineer C. L. Rist, Assistant General Freight Agent R. L. Patterson, Division Superintendent J. L. Hayes, E. E. Cain, A. R. Merriek and J. J. Corcoran and Division Engineers A. R. Deewes, W. J. Long, W. Madden and J. E. Johnson.

Show Was Good
"In Broadway After Dark." Tuesday evening, Manager W. P. Hetherington procured an excellent attraction for this city. The actors were clean-cut, well-costumed and capable characters. They had a story with a lesson and presented it with a punch and vim that pleased the audience. The company was greeted with a good crowd and all were well pleased.

PORTLAND COUNCIL MAY AID INDUSTRIES

The village council of Portland has adopted a new ordinance giving that body authority to set aside the surplus earnings of the electric lighting plant into an industrial or improvement fund to be used for the purpose of purchasing sites or buildings or otherwise assisting the development of manufacturing enterprises to locate in Portland. The idea originated with Village President Robinson. The council's action overcomes a big obstacle that has heretofore stood in the way of giving aid to industrial enterprise. It is not legal to bond for such purposes and it has always been difficult to raise funds of this kind by public subscription. As a consequence Portland has had to be content with one or two industries. Under the new plan the commercial revenues of the electric plant, such as are received for power, iron, grills, etc., will be set aside each year into an industrial fund and loaned out to manufacturers as the people vote it.

GRAND LEDGE COUPLE WERE MARRIED HERE

The marriage of Mr. Harry D. Townner and Miss Edna May Mulholland of Stanton was solemnized at the Methodist parsonage last Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock by Rev. W. E. Doty, who pronounced the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Willoughby of this city, friends of the bride and groom, acted the part of groomsmen and bridesmaid.

The couple are very popular young people of Grand Ledge. Mr. Townner is cashier of the state bank and his bride has been a teacher in the public schools.

Mr. Doty was a personal friend of Mr. Townner's father, Rev. James Townner, a former pastor of the Baptist church in Grand Ledge.

UPPER PENINSULA NEEDS PROHIBITION

George Hilton and Allie Kneel, who arrived home from Huntsburg, in the Upper Peninsula last week, where they had been to look at a farm, enjoyed the trip of over 300 miles very much.

Mr. Kneel says that part of the country is excellent for agriculture, but the booze proposition in the cities and villages is fierce, and the farmers are coming to see that only the prohibition of the liquor traffic and the closing of the saloons will make it a prosperous and contented place in which to live and make a home. The cry from the business men and farmers here is: "Give us state-wide prohibition and deliver us and our boys from the saloon and its booze."

"Hard Times" Party
Miss Eva Hauck entertained the members of St. Joseph's choir with a "Hard Times" Hallowe'en party at her home on West Washington street Monday evening. The costumes of the guests were designed to suit the occasion and each new arrival brought fresh outbursts of noise and laughter. The evening was spent with plenty of music and games, after which refreshments were served. A toast was read by each guest and each toast was heartily drunk to with sweet cider. A very enjoyable evening was spent.

Notice
The Grattan Gleaners will meet at Will Jenks', Saturday, November 4. Election of officers. All members are requested to be present.

PRESTON BRADLEY GAVE EXCELLENT LECTURE

Preston Bradley, second number on the local winter entertainment course, gave a most excellent talk in the opera house here last Wednesday evening. His talk should have been heard by every citizen of Belding. Mr. Bradley is a deep thinker and knows how to place his thoughts into clear simple language.

Mr. Bradley proclaimed our present prosperity as a false prosperity of the worst type. He gave his hearers to think persistently and carefully regarding the present business conditions and prepare for the inevitable result of the close of the war.

Mr. Bradley recently returned from abroad where he had an opportunity of studying war conditions first hand. His remarks regarding the foreign situation were worth much in arriving at a definite conclusion regarding the European conditions.

MOVED INTO NEW HOME-DR. ORR IS NICELY SETTLED

Dr. Marjorie Orr has moved into her home on the corner of Congress and Main streets, which she purchased of Dr. C. I. Taylor a couple of years ago. The house has undergone repairs with a number of changes in the interior arrangement of the rooms; been Chief Engineer A. L. Grandy has been installed. Dr. Orr has arranged excellent office rooms, easy of access, on the first floor, for her use, and a garage adjoining the house is also one of the improvements.

The doctor settled in Belding about twenty years ago and has built up a successful practice. Her many friends will be pleased to see her so well and comfortably situated. She plans to make other repairs and improvements to the house later.

BELDING FOUNDRY TO BEGIN OPERATION SOON

Construction work at the Belding Foundry is almost completed. Workmen were placing the motor, fan and other machinery the first part of this week. A good quantity of pig iron has arrived and coke is already on the ground. As soon as the necessary shafting can be placed the factory will be in readiness for work.

Raymond A. Stokoe, proprietor of the foundry, believes that he will be able to take off a heat the latter part of this week or the first of next. He expects to work about eight hours a day, making several trips to Grand Rapids, Detroit and other cities and now has numerous patrons who are anxious to give him work as soon as the foundry can be started.

MISS RENA CHAPPEL BRIDE OF H. R. TRULL

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Chapple on Pearl street, a very pretty wedding was witnessed by thirty guests, on Thursday, October 26, when their daughter, Rena Belle, was united in marriage to Mr. Harry R. Trull, of Hart, Michigan.

Mrs. L. M. Berry sang, "Oh, Promise Me," accompanied by Orlo Morse. Mrs. N. G. King played Mendelssohn's wedding march as the couple took their place in front of a bank of autumn leaves, vines and bittersweet berries. Rev. W. A. Biss officiated, using the ring service.

The bride was gowned in white brocade crepe de chine, trimmed with white lace and a touch of silver lace and carried a shower bouquet of white anemones.

After the ceremony and congratulations, a dainty lunch was served, the table decorations being pink roses. The out-of-town guests were: Mrs. Grant Steele of Clifton Springs, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. N. G. King of Lakeview; Mr. J. Harwood of North Star, Mich.; Frank Trull, brother of the groom, who is attending the M. A. C. at Lansing; and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Dunaven of Coral.

A number of beautiful and useful gifts were received, one present, a house and lot on Pearl street, from the father and mother of the bride. Mrs. M. L. Smith, mother of Mr. E. Chapple, who has been confined to her room at the home of M. L. Osterhout most of the time for over a year, was able to be taken over to attend the wedding.

Handkerchief Shower

A dozen young lady friends gave Miss Olive Smith a very pleasant surprise in the form of a handkerchief shower at her home Tuesday evening. Miss Smith was away from home early in the evening and upon her return she found the house lighted up by candles and the young ladies assembled. Games were played, most of which resulted in fortune telling. Light refreshments were served, the table decorations being in yellow and only candles to furnish the light. The center piece was a pumpkin which contained fortunes for each girl. The young ladies spent a very pleasant evening with Miss Smith, who has just returned to Belding to attend Ferris Institute. The handkerchiefs presented her were all handmade.

Prayer Service by W. C. T. U.
The W. C. T. U. have arranged to hold a prayer meeting on election day at the M. E. church at 9 o'clock a. m., to five o'clock p. m. The church bell will be sounded every hour, and it is hoped that the meeting and prayer service will be well attended. The public are welcome and are cordially invited.

Chicken Pie Supper
The Catholic ladies will serve their annual supper at Millard hall Saturday, November 4, from 5 to 8 p. m. The public are invited. Suppers will not be sent out, except where actually necessary. Bill \$50. Come and bring your friends, the ladies will do the rest.—adv.

ORLEANS BANNER GOOD ROADS TOWN OF IONIA COUNTY

THIS TOWNSHIP FARTHER ADVANCED IN ROAD BUILDING THAN ANY OTHERS

It is evident to the observer that the township of Orleans intends to remain at the head of the procession in Ionia county in the matter of building good roads. Not only has it outclassed other towns in the county but it is doubtful if there are many towns in the state that can boast of as many miles of up-to-date highways as Orleans. Twenty-nine and one-half miles is the approximate mileage built in process of construction and surveyed and they now propose to vote on a bond issue of \$15,000 to complete what has already been surveyed and six to ten miles more, which will make better than thirty-seven miles of state reward road.

The taxpayers of Orleans realize two things: First, that the money spent on the road is paid to its townspeople almost in its entirety; and, second, that the state pays part of the cost and when the road is completed the township still has its own money, some of the state's money and the road as well.

A bond issue of \$15,000 at five per cent interest and maturing in five years would cost the taxpayers about \$3,500 per year, a sum only a little over one-half of what they have been raising for good roads, and at the end of five years should they desire to bond for \$15,000 more this would give them sufficient funds with what they get from the state to make better than eighty per cent of the roads in the entire township state reward roads.

The \$3,500 per year expense for roads amounts to about \$2.75 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation and a farmer assessed for \$6,000 would have to pay about \$16.50 or four days' work with his team drawing gravel. As soon as the township completes its good roads the up-keep and repair fund will not be as heavy as in former years and the state pays from \$10.00 to \$34.00 per year per mile toward this repair fund.

UNION MASS MEETING FOR STATE WIDE DRY

A union mass meeting will be held in the opera house Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock, in the interests of the state-wide prohibition amendment. Prof. F. S. Goodrich, of Albion, will speak and every voter in the city is cordially invited to be present. Mr. Goodrich is well-known as one of the best speakers in the state. He will discuss the question in his forceful way, and make the proposition clear to every voter.

Tidings Suspends Publication
On account of the continued sickness of Fred A. Bush, publisher of the Tidings, the newspaper suspended publication last week. Mr. Bush has been confined to the house for a long time. For the past three years he has been editor and manager and has made the Tidings a very new sheet. Mr. Bush's many friends here will be sorry to hear of his affliction.

ELECTION RETURNS AT MASONIC CLUB ROOMS

Arrangements have been made to have a smoker at the Masonic club rooms next Tuesday evening, November 7. Election returns will be received by wire about eight o'clock and the members are ready to go home. Luncheon will be served in the dining rooms during the evening. Members of the lodge are permitted to bring a friend and enjoy the evening, and at the same time hear the latest and best returns.

Married in Sheridan

Mr. Alonzo Ricks and Miss Margie Lett of Smyrna were married at the home of the groom's father, Wm. Ricks in Sheridan Sunday, October 29, in the presence of only the immediate family. The officiating magistrate was E. W. Condon.

HUDSON'S DOLLAR DAY COMES NEXT SATURDAY

E. E. Hudson, North Bridge street grocer, was unable to participate to any great extent in the activities of Dollar Day on October 21. Bridge street was not then opened and the many dollar day purchasers were unable to get to his store. For this reason Mr. Hudson is this week asking his hundreds of patrons and also new customers to come to his store next Saturday and renew relations. He is offering many special prices on staple merchandise in his large half-page advertisement this week. Farmers and others cannot afford to miss reading the advertisement and also visiting the North Bridge street store next Saturday. Drive right up on the paved street.

Accidental Death of Wm. Greiner
Dr. and Mrs. George A. Stanton received a message by telegram Saturday of the accidental death of her brother, Wm. Greiner, at Ridgeway, Ontario. The message gave no details of the accident. They took the first train out for Detroit and expected to reach there Sunday morning.

Mr. Greiner spent several months here with the Stantons and was with his sister on the Florida trip last year.

D. of V. Notice
Regular meeting of the Daughters of Veterans Friday, November 3. All members especially requested to be present.

SHIPMENT OF PERCH- ONS FROM PALMER BROS

The Palmer Bros., made a shipment Saturday of four fine percheron horses from their stock farm to Bismarck and Golden Valley, N. Dak., last Saturday. This is the second shipment made in the past six weeks, the others all having been disposed of by Robert Palmer, who is looking after the sale of the stallions at that end of the route. Good prices prevail in the west for valuable stock of this kind, and one of the horses in the first shipment was sold for \$2,150. Stock from the Palmer Bros., percheron farm at Orleans is getting a nation-wide reputation.

The horses were given a stall each in one box car and provided with plenty of hay, straw, grain, and water. One of the farm employees accompanied them on their long journey.

CIRCUIT COURT OPENS THIS MONTH CALENDAR FULL

November 13 is the opening day for the next term of circuit court and a big calendar is being prepared for submission at that time. Eight criminal cases, with the same number of chancery. From forty to fifty cases are up for consideration in which no progress has been made for a year, and these will probably be dismissed. Among the law cases are noted nine "beer cases"—damage suits against Lowell saloon men for the deaths of Ionia county people laid to their charge by the plaintiff. The Michigan Bonding and Surety company is named as co-defendant in each case.

Mrs. Graves at Blodgett Home
Mr. and Mrs. Clark Graves went to Grand Rapids last week to the Blodgett Home, where Mrs. Graves underwent an operation for the removal of a tumor, which has been giving her much trouble for a long time. The operation was successfully performed last Thursday, and favorable reports are received by Mr. Graves as to her improved condition. Mr. Graves remained with her for a few days before returning. It is expected she will remain several weeks at the visiting members.

Officials of the Macabees Here
E. W. Thompson of Grand Rapids, deputy great commander of the order of the Macabees, and E. B. Gillett, of Muskegon, also a deputy commander, have been in the city this week in the interest of the local branch of Macabees. They have been conferring with official members here in an endeavor to put new life into the organization and a public meeting will be held this (Wednesday) evening in their hall to be addressed by the visiting members.

MARRIED IN ORLEANS WITH RING SERVICE

The wedding of Mr. Albert T. Och-anpugh and Miss Margaret Hunt occurred at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hunt, in Orleans, Saturday at 12 o'clock noon. Rev. W. A. Biss, pastor of the Baptist church officiated, using the beautiful ring service in uniting the couple. The parents of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. Hunt, stood with them as best man and bridesmaid during the marriage ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Och-anpugh are receiving the congratulations and best wishes from their many friends.

ALBERT E. SLEEPER SAYS HE IS DRY IN LETTER

The Charlotte Republican of last week contained the following article concerning Candidate Sleeper's attitude on the "wet" and "dry" issue. It will be of interest to all voters:

"About the only election comment of any moment in this section is the wet and dry question and the attitude of political candidates with reference to that question. The silence of Mr. Sleeper on the question, prompted Mr. Spafford, a dry leader in this county for many years, to write to the republican candidate for his views. Grant Hudson, superintendent of the Michigan Anti-Saloon League, told Mr. Spafford that Mr. Sleeper has always been one of the largest contributors in his section and his nomination and election is eminently satisfactory to them. The Sleeper letter follows:

Bad Axe, October 18, 1916.

C. D. Spafford,

Charlotte, Michigan.

Dear Sir:
Yours of the 14th is before me. You of course know just how I stand upon the question, just the same as I always have. And you know what I have done in our own county. But you must bear in mind that I am a candidate of the republican party, and the party as a party has taken no position on this question. Neither has the democratic party as a party taken any stand. Each party has considered this question as a social, moral and economic question. You know if I am elected governor, it will be my duty to see that the laws of the state are enforced and if the prohibition amendment of the constitution is adopted by the people then it would become my duty to enforce this provision of the constitution. If amendment carries, I will do everything in my power to make the state dry and if it does not carry I will do everything to see that our laws are enforced and make stricter ones if necessary. That is the position I took when I went in the campaign and I see no reason for changing it. Yours very truly,
A. E. SLEEPER.

JOSEPHINE KELLEY MARRIED AT LYONS- LIVES IN N. DAKOTA

FORMER TEACHER IN BELDING SCHOOLS TO LIVE IN THE NORTHWEST

Miss Josephine B. Kelley, for four years a teacher in the Belding schools two of which she was principal of the Ellis school, was married at her home near Lyons, Wednesday afternoon, to Dr. James F. Shigley of Kenmare, North Dakota. The abridged Episcopal ring service was used by Rev. W. A. Biss of this city in performing the ceremony.

Previous to the ceremony Miss Ruth Ager, one of the teachers in the Ellis school, sang "Oh, Promise Me," and "At Daring." The three bridesmaids were Miss Gladys M. Bradt, teacher of music and drawing in the local schools, played Mendelssohn's wedding march which brought the bride to the altar, led by the maid-of-honor, Miss Ruth Shigley, sister of the groom. The ring bearer was little Jennie Crandall and the flower girls were Ruby Dickinson and Xephia Crane, all nieces of the bride. The party was met at the altar by the groom, accompanied by Joseph R. Shigley of Muskegon, a brother. Following the ceremony congratulations were offered the happy couple and then the guests were seated in the dining room and served punch, ice cream and cake. The luncheon was served by Miss Ruth Shigley, Beatrice Sherwood, Ruth Sterling and Alice Biss.

Following the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Shigley left for a trip through the east after which they will be at home in Kenmare, North Dakota. Mrs. Shigley is well-known in Belding as was one of the city's best teachers. Mr. Shigley is a brother of Superintendent Shigley of the Greenview schools. He formerly taught in Lyons, but is at present a practicing veterinarian in Kenmare.

Mrs. W. A. Biss attended the wedding also.

Hilton-Free Wedding

The marriage of Mr. George L. Hilton and Miss Millie Free took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. James Cain on the north side, Monday night.

The ceremony was performed by E. B. Lapham, Esq., at 7 o'clock, in the presence of relatives and friends of the bride and groom. Mr. Lyle Wright and Miss Pearl Radcliffe acted as bestman and bridesmaid, and stood with the couple during the ceremony. An elaborate wedding supper was served by Mrs. Ed. Hilton, mother of the groom, and Mr. and Mrs. Cain.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilton will reside here for the present, but later expect to go to farming.

Entertained at Casners
On Saturday night the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Casner held a merry company of Hallowe'en celebration, when twenty-five or thirty of the neighborhood friends were invited in to spend the evening. Games, music and fine refreshments at the close made all the participants feel that they had enjoyed one of the best times of their lives.

Minstrel Caused a Fall
Last Friday just before noon Geo. Williams, the Hotel Belding chef, suffered an injury by falling on the steps from the platform leading into the rear of Lamb's store. Mr. Williams had been in the store for some time when he slipped and fell. He made a misstep in his hurry, and fell injuring his leg. Dr. Pinkham was called to attend him, and found that the leg, which had formerly been hurt, was not broken, but the injury was of such a nature that it will be some time before he will be able to get out again.

W. C. T. U. Meeting Good

An excellent meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held at the home of Mrs. E. E. Hudson last Friday. Mrs. W. E. Wilder read an excellent paper, and Mrs. Mary E. H. Coville gave a nice report of the recent convention at Ionia. It was voted to extend a letter of thanks to M. A. Reed for his courtesy in running the slides relating to "Home Rule" in the Empress Theatre the past few weeks. Mrs. Coville and Mrs. J. W. Wells were delegated to present the letter together with a bouquet of flowers.

Grattan Grange
Grattan Grange held an interesting session October 26 with fifty members present. The proper way to vote, so as not to go wrong on the new amendments was fully impressed upon every voter.

The next meeting will be held November 9. Every one should come and hear more about homecoming day. Program: Song, Grange; roll call. "A Trip Which I Enjoyed the Most This Summer"; duet, Rena Emmons and Eleanor Smith; recitation, Ruth Lincoln; paper, "Which is Preferable—Share or Cash Rent?" Frank Belding. Lecturer.

Chicken Pie Dinner
A chicken pie dinner will be served at the home of Wm. Sparks and Mrs. Chatie Crozier Thursday, November 9, for the benefit of the Belding Cemetery association. Bill 25 cents. Anyone wishing to go please call 256 as autos have been offered for the purpose.—adv.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Wood of Maple Rapids called on relatives here Saturday.

Every Voter Should Read

Before voting next Tuesday every voter should make special efforts to secure a copy of this week's Collier's and read the two articles, "If We Elect Mr. Wilson," and "Seeing Hughes." Every voter owes it to himself not to fail in securing these articles and reading them.